

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES** 

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CHAIRPERSON Mrs. Eleanor R. Montaño

> VICE CHAIRPERSON Mr. Frank S. Bacio

Ms. Barbara Bigby Mr. Vito Cannella Ms. Rita Hall Mr. John A. Hammargren Mr. Carl E. Moore

# MINUTES OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING MARCH 25, 2009

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Montaño called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

# **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Chair Montaño led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Present
Chair Eleanor R. Montaño
Frank Bacio
Barbara Bigby
Carl E. Moore

Excused Absence
Vito Cannella
Rita Hall
John A. Hammargren

#### Staff

Janice Davis, Commission Services Staff Garen Khachian, Commission Services Staff.

Commissioner Bigby joined the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

Commissioner Moore joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

### APPROVAL OF MARCH 18, 2009, MEETING MINUTES

On motion of Vice Chair Bacio, seconded by Commissioner Moore, and unanimously carried, the minutes of March 18, 2009, were approved with the following change:

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On page 5, under "Facility/Group Home Inspection Reports From March 11, 2009 to March 17, 2009", "Compton Superior Court" add "Probation Department will report back to the Commission regarding the above issues at Compton Superior Court during the next Business Meeting."

# **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Montaño reported on two (2) news articles:

- "Probation Bills Still Being Sent, Opponents Say", Los Angeles Times, March 25, 2009, regarding the Los Angeles County Probation Department continuing to bill parents despite a moratorium imposed last month on such charges.
- "County Revises Billing For Youths In Custody", Los Angeles Times, March 25, 2009, regarding a Probation official stating the moratorium announced by the Probation Department last month doesn't apply to charges previously issued.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Bacio reported that the current balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$1,093.93.

## **CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIT REPORT**

There was none.

# FACILITY/GROUP HOME INSPECTION REPORTS FROM MARCH 18, 2009, TO MARCH 24, 2009

### Eastlake Juvenile Courthouse - Commissioners Bacio and Hall

The facility was visited on March 19, 2009, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

### Rosemary Children's Services (500 House) – 51, #5 –Commissioner Bigby

The facility was visited on March 20, 2009, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

**Area of Concerns:** Needs smoke detector in kitchen; bathroom floor needs to be replaced; needs additional linens and towels.

### La Vida North Cal-SAFE – Commissioners Bacio, Hall and Moore

The facility was visited on March 24, 2009, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

### South Bay Bright Future Youth Center - 55, #2 - Commissioner Montaño

The facility was visited on March 24, 2009, and no one was home.

### **NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There was none.

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# MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (To be presented and placed on a future agenda)

Discussion on new strategies for visiting Group Homes.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was none.

## <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business, Chair Montaño adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m. in memory of David Lee Briggs Sr., and Sergeant's Ervin Romans, Daniel Sakai, Mark Dunakin and Officer Jon Hege, the four (4) police officers killed in the line of duty on March 21, 2009 in Oakland, California.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Davis
Commission Services Division